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Remarks

The Notice of Omitted Items states that Figures 3I to 3L described in the specification, were omitted from this application as filed. However, the application as filed included Figures 3A to 3H, and those figures (together with Figs. 1, 2, 4, and 5) are also the figures for this application. Accordingly, all drawing figures of this application were timely filed, but the *identification* of figures on page 11 is incorrect.

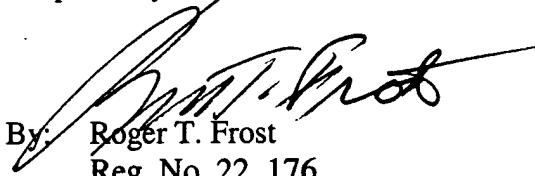
For that reason, the Applicant is here amending the drawing recitation to identify the correct number of the final figure, namely, Fig. 3H. This amendment will cure the apparent discrepancy between drawing figures actually submitted versus those mentioned in the brief description of the drawings.

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The Applicant respectfully submits that no extension of time is necessary. The application was complete as filed, notwithstanding an error in identifying the figures in the specification. Accordingly, no extension of time for response to the Notice of Omitted Items should be required.

Nevertheless, to avoid possible further expense, the undersigned is submitted herewith a Petition for Extension of Time and a request to refund the extension fee.

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Figs. 3A to 3[L]H are process cross-sectional views showing a manufacturing method of the semiconductor device according to the embodiment of the present invention, respectively;